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TO: Offender Population/Visitors/Staff

FROM: Scott Frakes, Superintendent

SUBJECT: Change to WSRU Visit Schedule

The problems with WSRU offender visitors blocking the city street and the entrance to WSRU continue to escalate. I cannot allow the entrance to the facility to be blocked, preventing access for staff and emergency personnel. The Monroe Police Department was again called to the facility this weekend to help control traffic. This is an unreasonable burden on their limited resources. Whenever possible I try to give 30 day notice when there is a significant change in practice. I cannot wait and allow this situation to get any worse.

Beginning MARCH 20, 2010; A/B Units will visit Saturday and C/D Units will visit on Sunday. The following weekend (March 27/28) C/D Units will visit on Saturday and A/B Units will visit on Sunday. Fridays and Mondays will remain open to the entire population. A rotation schedule will be published and posted in the living units and on the MCC website. If you arrive on a day that you are not scheduled to visit, you will be turned away. Requests for special visits can be made by the offender, through his assigned counselor. Special visit requests should be made at least 15 days in advance.

This change is intended as an <u>interim</u> measure until we can explore other ways to meet the demand for visiting space and access to WSRU. The conversion to medium custody has created a significant increase in the number of visitors at WSRU. We have received funding for a project that will allow use of the WSRU Visit Room Annex on a full time basis. That project will be completed by September. Thank you for your cooperation as we continue to try to find a solution for visiting at WSRU that provides for access to all the offenders' family and friends.

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